



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20370-5100

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Docket No: 7361-00

18 December 2000

Dear [REDACTED]

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code, section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 30 November 2000. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board found that you completed a Standard Form 93, Report of Medical History on 23 February 1991, in which you denied having a history of depression, excessive worry, or nervous trouble of any sort. You enlisted in the Navy on 15 January 1992. On 16 January 1992, you disclosed a history of outpatient psychiatric care and a suicide gesture which you had previously concealed from enlistment medical authorities. A Navy psychologist gave you the diagnosis of an avoidant personality disorder with shizotypal features, and recommended that you be discharged by reason of fraudulent enlistment. Your commanding officer opted to process you for discharge by reason of a personality disorder, and you were discharged for that reason on 27 January 1992. You completed 13 days of service, and were assigned a reenlistment code of RE-4.

The Board noted that a reenlistment code of RE-4 is the only code authorized for Navy personnel discharged by reason of a personality disorder. It was not persuaded that the diagnosis which resulted in your discharge was erroneous or unjust, or that you were suitable for military service at that time. Your contentions that you did well as a member of the Sea

Cadets prior to enlisting in the Navy, you were not mature enough to serve in the Navy in 1992, and that you "did not take the pscyh test seriously", were considered insufficient to warrant any corrective action in your case. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director